



# The Park at Lawyers Road

## ***PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING***

**May 17, 2005**





# The Park at Lawyers Road

## Agenda

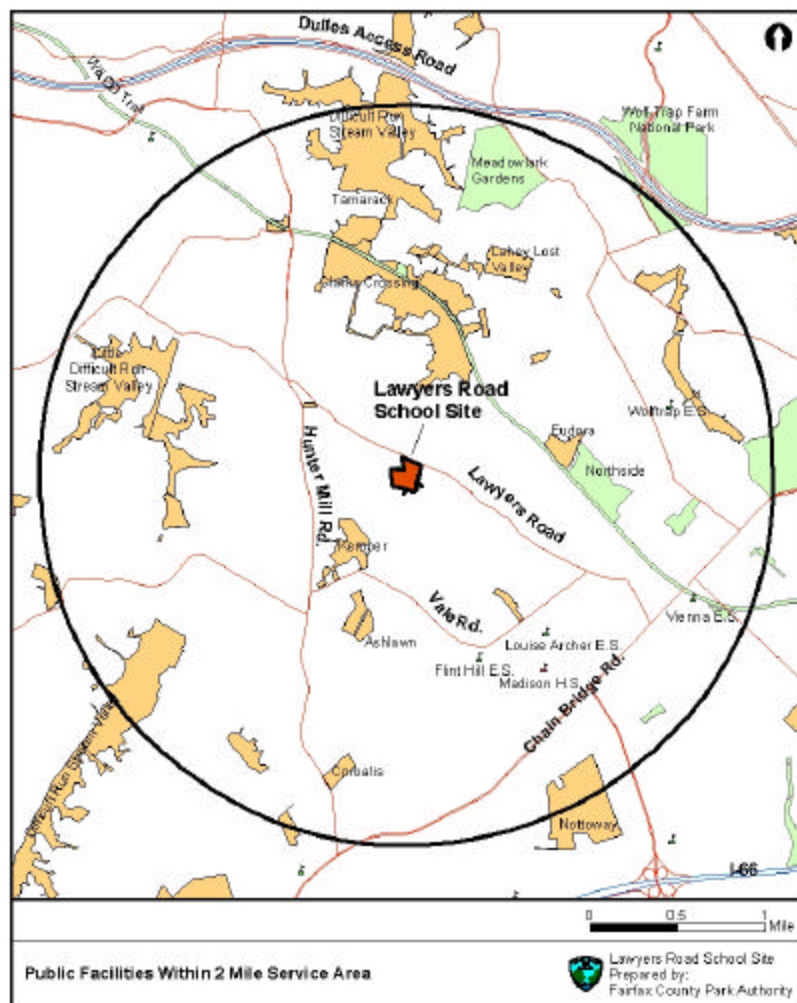
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| 7:00 | Introductions                            | Kirk Holley, Manager, FCPA                                |
| 7:10 | Welcoming Remarks                        | Bill Bouie, Hunter Mill District,<br>Park Authority Board |
| 7:15 | Site Information and<br>Planning Process | Irish Grandfield, Project Manager                         |
| 7:45 | Questions & comments                     | Facilitated Discussion                                    |
| 8:30 | Closing remarks & next steps             | Kirk Holley, Manager                                      |
| 8:40 | Adjourn                                  |   |



# The Site



# The Park at Lawyers Road



## SITE CONTEXT

One mile south of  
Hunter Mill Road

Hunter Mill  
Supervisory District





# The Park at Lawyers Road

- On Lawyers Road
- 13.7 acres in size
- Wooded
- Leased to the Park Authority





# The Park at Lawyers Road



## Site History

- 1700s -1900s Farm Use
- 1968 Property Subdivided, School Board Acquisition
- 1988 Leased to the Park Authority
- 2005 Park Master Planned
- ????? Park Development





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## NATURAL RESOURCES

### Throughout

- Pervasive Invasives
- Low habitat value

### West Stand

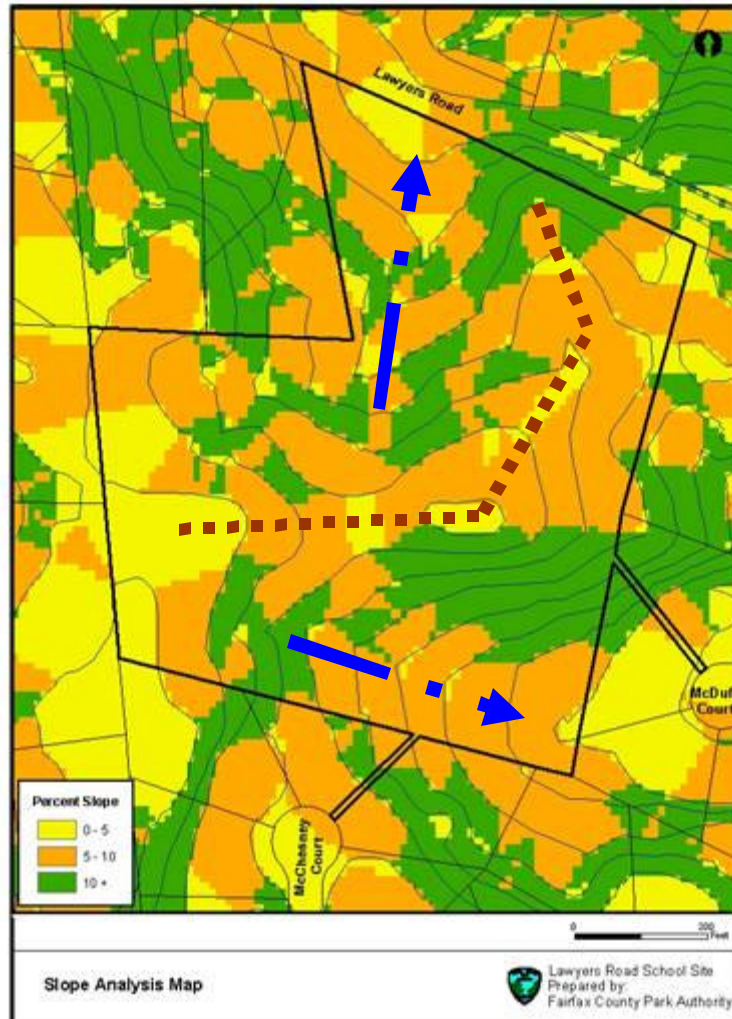
- Tulip Poplar with little diversity

### East Stand

- Dominated by pine



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## TOPOGRAPHY

- Ridge through the center  
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- Drains to the north and southeast ———▶
- Slopes average 5 – 10 %





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## Cultural Resources

- Field walkover
- No evidence of Native American sites or Colonial Period Use



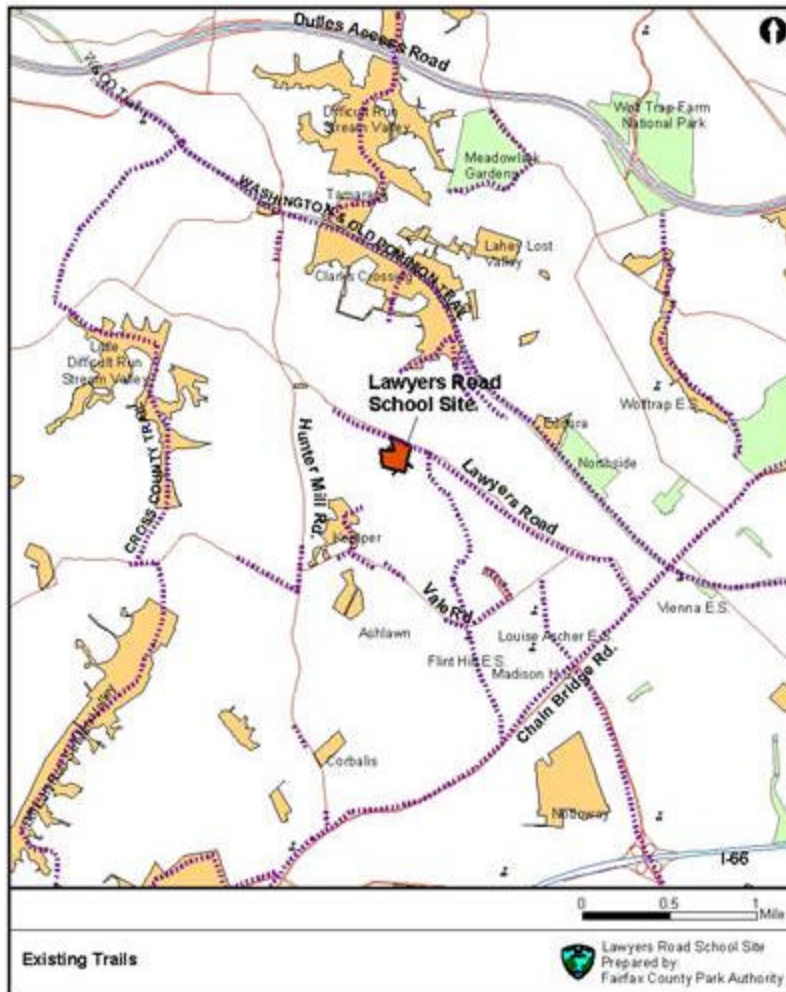


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## Trails

Existing Trail along  
Lawyers Road

Possible future trail  
connection to  
W&OD?





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## Encroachments

Including:

- Dumping yard waste/debris
- Removing trees or other vegetation
- Storing materials or equipment
- Erecting tree houses/ play structures/etc.



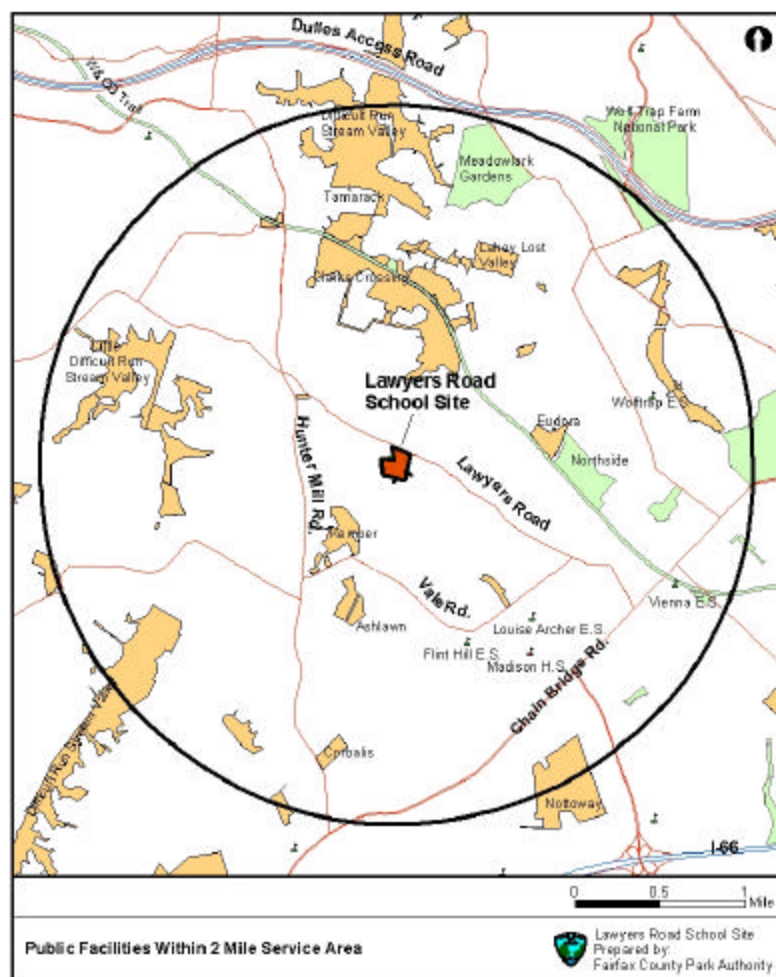




# Park and Recreational Needs



# The Park at Lawyers Road



## Community Park Classification

- Typically 10-50 acres in size
- Variety of individual and organized active recreation activities
- Service area is 5-10 min. drive (generally two - three miles)

**2-MILE SERVICE AREA**



# The Park at Lawyers Road

## Potential Uses at Community Parks

Lighted or unlighted athletic fields

Tennis courts

Picnic shelter

Restrooms

Gardens

Nature Center or Community Center

Undeveloped natural areas

Playground

Parking

Trails

Multi-use court

Open play area

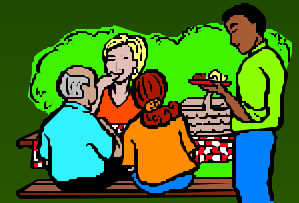




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## Unmet Needs – Countywide Summary

- Parkland - 276 acres
- Trails - 75 miles
- Reservable Picnic Areas - 20 sites
- Neighborhood Skateboard Parks - 9 sites
- RECenter Space - 152,118 sq ft
- Indoor Gym Space - 101,741 sq ft
- Rectangle Sports Fields - 95 fields
- Diamond Ball Fields - 13 fields





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## Local Unmet Need – Active Recreation

Field Type	Service Level Standard	Year	Area Population	Available Fields	Needed Fields	Service Area Deficit	Countywide New FCPA Fields by
Rectangle	1/2,700	2002	27,977	6.5	10	3.5	
		2015	29,235		11	4.5	95
Adult Baseball	1/24,000	2002	27,977	2	1	0	
		2015	29,235		1	0	9
Youth Baseball	1/7,200	2002	27,977	2	4	2	
		2015	29,235		4	2	0
Adult Softball	1/22,000	2002	27,977	2	1	0	
		2015	29,235		1	0	4
Youth Softball	1/8,800	2002	27,977	5	3	0	
		2015	29,235		3	0	0



# The Park Planning Process





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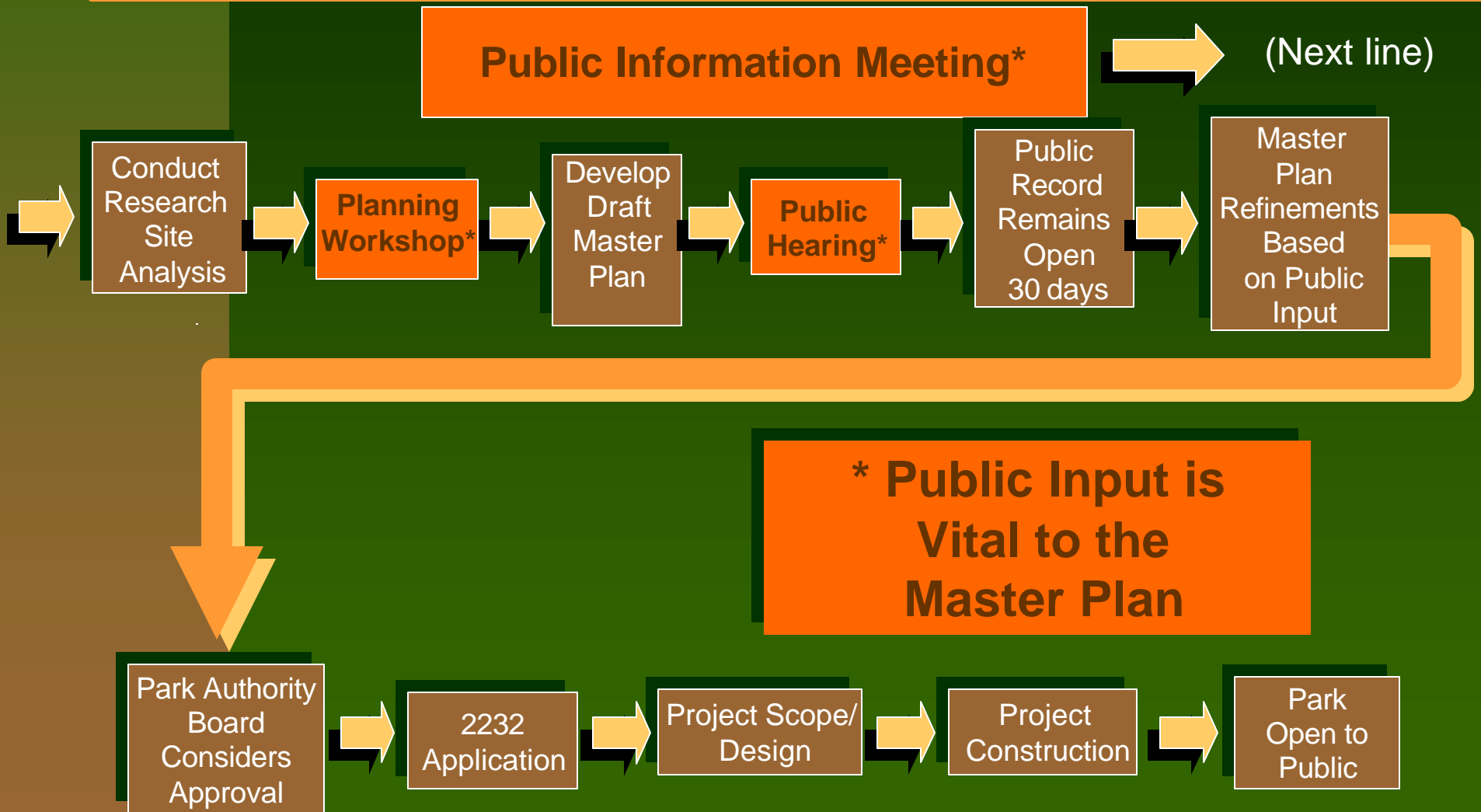
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**Goal:** Develop a long-range plan for the use of the Lawyers Road site as a Community Park with passive and active recreational opportunities. Preserve resources while meeting County recreational needs and satisfying community desires.

**Process:** Engage the public in discussion of park use preferences at the site, assess park and recreational needs, determine assets and liabilities of site, develop and evaluate alternatives with public input, choose preferred option and develop an effective park master plan.



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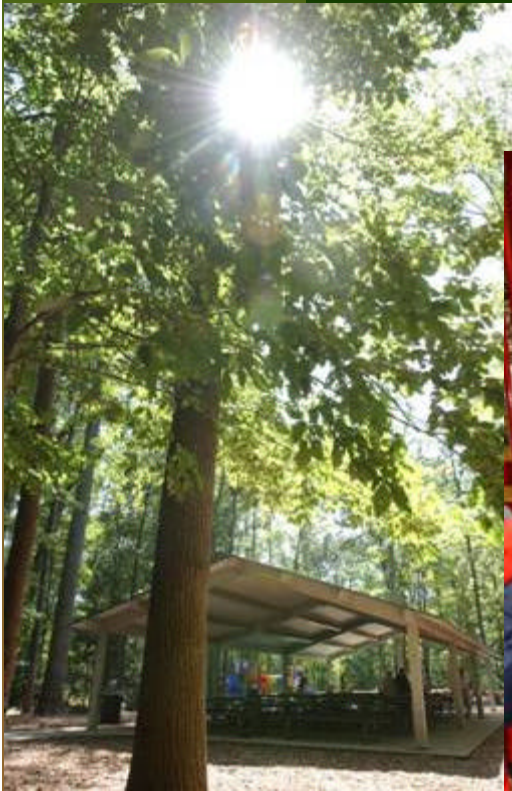
## Public Process

May 17, 2005	Public Information Meeting
July 2005	Public Planning Workshop
Late Fall 2005	Public Hearing
Winter 2005	Public comment period closes
February 2006	Park Authority Board Adoption



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## Help Decide What Park Uses







# The Park at Lawyers Road

Go Where





# Help Us Develop a Park Master Plan

Join us for a:

Public Planning Workshop

July 2005

Location: TBD







# The Park at Lawyers Road

## Help Us Improve Our Parks

### Send Comments to:

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